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September 1 Tennessee Crop Production Forecast

Corn production in **Tennessee** is forecast at 127 million bushels, unchanged from the August forecast and up 5 percent from the previous crop. Yield was estimated at a record 174.0 bushels per acre, unchanged from last month and up 3.0 bushels from the 2017 level. Acres for harvest as grain were estimated at 730,000 acres, up 20,000 acres from 2017. **U.S.** corn production is forecast at 14.8 billion bushels, up 2 percent from the August forecast and up 2 percent from 2017. Based on conditions as of September 1, yields are expected to average 181.3 bushels per acre, up 2.9 bushels from last month and up 4.7 bushels from 2017. Area harvested for grain is forecast at 81.8 million acres, unchanged from the August forecast and down 1 percent from 2017.

Soybean production for **Tennessee** is forecast at 87.7 million bushels, up 4 percent from the August forecast and up 6 percent from 2017. Yield was estimated at 51.0 bushels per acre, up 2 bushels from last month and up 1.0 bushels from a year ago. Acreage for harvest as beans was estimated at 1.72 million acres, up 60,000 acres from the previous year. **U.S.** soybean production is forecast at 4.69 billion bushels, up 2 percent from the August forecast and up 7 percent from last year. Based on September 1 conditions, yields are expected to average 52.8 bushels per acre, up 1.2 bushels from last month and up 3.7 bushels from last year. Area for harvest is forecast at 88.9 million acres, unchanged from the August forecast and down 1 percent from 2017.

Tennessee cotton production is projected to be 800,000 bales, up 6 percent from the August forecast and up 9 percent from last year. Cotton yields are forecast to average 1,082 pounds per acre, up 32 pounds from last month and up 49 pounds per acre from the previous year. Producers expect to harvest 355,000 acres, up 10,000 acres from the August forecast and up 15,000 acres from 2017. **U.S.** cotton production was forecast at 19.7 million bales, up 2 percent from the August forecast and down 6 percent from 2017. Yields are forecast to average 895 pounds per acre, down 16 pounds from last month and down 10 pounds from last year. Harvested acreage is estimated at 10.6 million acres, up 4 percent from the August forecast and down 5 percent from the previous year.

Tennessee burley tobacco production is forecast at 10.2 million pounds, down 33 percent from the August forecast and down 43 percent from 2017. Yield was projected at 1,700 pounds per acre, unchanged pounds from last month and up 200 pounds from the 2017 crop. Harvested acreage was estimated at 6,000 acres, down 6,000 acres from last year's crop. For the **burley producing states** production is forecast at 129 million pounds, down 3 percent from the August forecast and down 20 percent from last year. Burley growers plan to harvest 64,800 acres, down 20 percent from 2017. Yields were expected to average 1,996 pounds per acre, up 19 pounds from last year.

Production of **Tennessee dark fire-cured** tobacco is forecast at 22.0 million pounds, up 16 percent from the August forecast and up 5 percent from the previous year. **Tennessee dark air-cured** tobacco production is forecast at 6.72 million pounds, up 95 percent from the August forecast and up 68 percent from last year.

**CROP PRODUCTION SUMMARY, September 1
TENNESSEE AND UNITED STATES**

Crops	Area Planted ¹		Area Harvested		Yield Per Acre			Production	
	2017	2018	2017	2018 ²	2017	2018 ¹		2017	2018
						Aug 1	Sep 1 ²		
	TENNESSEE								
	<i>(1,000 acres)</i>	<i>(1,000 acres)</i>	<i>(1,000 acres)</i>	<i>(1,000 acres)</i>	<i>(bushels)</i>	<i>(bushels)</i>	<i>(bushels)</i>	<i>(1,000 bushels)</i>	<i>(1,000 bushels)</i>
Corn ³	750	780	710	730	171.0	174.0	174.0	121,410	127,020
Soybeans ³	1,690	1,750	1,660	1,720	50.0	49.0	51.0	83,000	87,720
Wheat, Winter ³⁴	370	390	275	295	70.0	63.0	--	19,250	18,585
	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(pounds)</i>	<i>(pounds)</i>	<i>(pounds)</i>	<i>(1,000 pounds)</i>	<i>(1,000 pounds)</i>
Cotton ⁵	345,000	360,000	340,000	355,000	1,033	1,050	1,082	732	800
Tobacco:									
All	--	--	21,100	16,400	2,038	2,184	2,376	43,000	38,960
Burley	--	--	12,000	6,000	1,500	1,700	1,700	18,000	10,200
Dark-Fire Cured	--	--	7,500	7,600	2,800	2,800	2,900	21,000	22,040
Dark-Air Cured	--	--	1,600	2,800	2,500	2,300	2,400	4,000	6,720
	UNITED STATES								
	<i>(1,000 acres)</i>	<i>(1,000 acres)</i>	<i>(1,000 acres)</i>	<i>(1,000 acres)</i>	<i>(bushels)</i>	<i>(bushels)</i>	<i>(bushels)</i>	<i>(1,000 bushels)</i>	<i>(1,000 bushels)</i>
Corn ³	90,167	89,128	82,703	81,770	176.6	178.4	181.3	14,604,067	14,826,690
Soybeans ³	90,142	89,557	89,522	88,862	49.1	51.6	52.8	4,391,553	4,693,135
Wheat, Winter ³⁴	32,696	32,732	25,291	24,816	50.2	47.9	--	1,269,437	1,189,199
	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(pounds)</i>	<i>(pounds)</i>	<i>(pounds)</i>	<i>(1,000 pounds)</i>	<i>(1,000 pounds)</i>
Cotton ⁵	12,612,500	14,042,000	11,100,400	10,554,400	905	911	895	20,923	19,682
Tobacco:									
All	--	--	321,470	304,980	2,209	2,130	2,088	710,161	636,772
Burley	--	--	81,500	64,800	1,977	1,905	1,996	161,140	129,360
Dark-Fire Cured	--	--	19,270	18,880	3,089	3,029	3,060	59,531	57,772
Dark-Air Cured	--	--	7,600	10,000	2,658	2,620	2,616	20,200	26,160

¹ Commodities with estimates not available are *(denoted by "--")*. ² Forecasted. ³ Area harvested represents grain. ⁴ Includes area planted in preceding fall. ⁵ Production in 480-lb. net weight bales. U.S. production includes American-Pima cotton.